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Press Release

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The City of Norman will be hosting the second in a series of eight planned Public Forums on sustainable water resources for our future on January 21, 2010. The topic of this second forum will be the State Water Plan with a presentation regarding the ongoing state wide water planning efforts.

The five actions of the State Water Plan are:

- 1. Characterize demands by water use sector
- 2. Identify reliable supplies to meet forecasted demands
- 3. Perform technical studies in support of the evaluation of emerging water management issues
- 4. Engage comprehensive stakeholder involvement
- 5. Make "implementable recommendations regarding the future of water management in Oklahoma

Representatives of the Oklahoma Water Resources Board as well as their consulting engineers will provide an update. The forum will be held in the Council Chambers of City Hall located at 201 W. Gray Street. It will begin at 6:00 p.m. and will last approximately two hours.

All citizens of Norman are invited to attend and explore long term solutions for our drinking water needs. Come join your neighbors, community leaders and experts in the field of Oklahoma drinking water to discuss solutions and alternatives for Norman's drinking water for the next 50 years. These public forums are open to everyone with an interest in water and Norman's future.

The forums will be broadcast live on Channel 20 and rebroadcast periodically throughout the series. Each of the eight forums is open to all, but the City would encourage your commitment to attend as many meetings as possible in order to gain full understanding of our water needs and future. Please call the City of Norman Utilities Department at 366-5443 to reserve your place at these meetings. Informational packets regarding each meeting will be provided.